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### **Field Crops Report**

As of January 26, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 61 percent not being harvested, 11 percent light, 9 percent moderate, and 19 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 7 percent poor, 24 percent fair, 49 percent good, and 20 percent excellent. Sheep continue to graze on alfalfa fields for winter pasture.

**Small Grains** planting is progressing at a normal pace. As of January 26, 84 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 81 percent of **Winter Wheat**, 89 percent of **Barley**, and 85 percent of **other small grains** were reported as planted.

### **Livestock, Range and Pasture Report**

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 43 percent very poor, 36 percent poor, 18 percent fair and 3 percent good. **Livestock** were reported to be in fair condition. **Stock Water** was reported as short. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as none to light.

### **Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report**

Last week producers in central Arizona shipped broccoli, cabbage, head lettuce, mixed greens, leaf lettuce, napa, parsley, romaine and spinach. Producers in western Arizona shipped anise, bok choy, broccoflower, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, endive, escarole, kale, mixed greens, napa, parsley, radicchio, rapini, salad savoy, spinach and spring mix. Western lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf and romaine.

Citrus producers in central and western Arizona shipped grapefruit, lemons, navels and tangerines last week.

### **Weather Summary**

Temperatures for the entire State remained above average for the week ending January 25. Temperatures ranged from 3 degrees above normal at Parker, to 11 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon. The highest temperature of the week was 83 degrees at Yuma, while the lowest reading was 20 degrees at Flagstaff and Canyon De Chelly. Precipitation was reported at 8 of the 17 reporting stations, which ranged from a low of 0.01 to a high of 0.30 inches.

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**Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)**

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
FOR THE WEEK JANUARY 19 TO JANUARY 25, 2003**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	33	8	60	20	0.00	0.19	0.63
Casa Grande	53	4	77	38	0.01	0.03	0.65
Coolidge	52	6	80	37	0.00	0.05	0.75
Douglas	46	4	75	27	0.00	0.01	0.63
Flagstaff	30	9	59	20	0.03	0.14	1.75
Gila Bend	56	4	78	42	0.30	1.37	0.50
Grand Canyon	30	11	61	21	0.00	0.57	1.28
Kingman	43	7	68	32	0.00	0.06	1.00
Parker	55	3	79	43	0.00	0.40	0.74
Payson	40	6	66	27	0.07	0.28	1.85
Phoenix	54	8	79	48	0.14	0.57	0.71
Prescott Airport	38	7	65	27	0.27	0.67	0.83
Safford Ag Center	45	6	72	29	0.03	0.05	0.62
Tucson	53	5	79	40	0.05	0.08	0.81
Willcox	45	5	76	28	0.00	0.14	0.93
Winslow	35	7	62	21	0.00	0.03	0.35
Yuma	58	6	83	45	0.00	0.03	0.32

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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